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## SHAN VAN VOCHT

**Congratulates the Kentucky  
Irish American Upon Its  
Anniversary.**

**Sorely Disturbed by the Tempo-  
rary Absence of Editor  
Lewis.**

**American and Irish Flags Dis-  
played on the Glorious  
Fourth.**

**PRANKS OF THE WEATHER BUREAU**

[Special Letter to the Kentucky Irish

American.]  
SHELBYVILLE, Ky., July 7.—Having  
extended our very sincere congratulations  
to the Kentucky Irish American on the  
completion of its first anniversary, and  
earnestly hoping that the next year may  
bring health and happiness and increased  
circulation, we hasten to explain the  
various causes of our late silence. With  
drooping spirits, consequent of a nearly  
broken heart, we must again for the last  
time notice our quondam lover, the  
youthful correspondent at Frankfort.  
Although his was the "most unkindest  
cut of all," we had hoped that his juve-  
nile affections were sincere and that  
never would he drop us in a letter writ-  
ten, as he tells us, while the hills trem-  
bled and the Kentucky river began to  
dry. Ye gods and little fishes! how he  
felt when he noticed our productions,  
which vainly he tried to eclipse. His  
pen trembled and his imagination per-  
suaded him that the whole world shook  
with him! No wonder we have not been  
able to yield our flowing pen since the  
public announcement that in future his  
love was transferred and no longer would  
he "meet us by moonlight alone." The  
shock was too much for our ancient  
nerves, but time, the best friend of all  
the rejected and, indeed, dejected, has  
come to our aid, and now we must admit  
that, with all his faults, we love him still—

"I want you," my honey, yes I do."  
"Beneath leath," D. J. M. Besides this  
ruthless and unnecessarily severe shat-  
tering of our nervous system we also lost  
much sleep and suffered much anxiety  
from the results apparent from our county  
and State conventions. Now rest and  
refreshing sleep come to satisfy the clam-  
orous cravings of our disturbed nature.

Sorely were we disturbed by the con-  
stant absence from our midst of Charley  
Lewis, whom a wise Providence trans-  
planted and ordained should not merely  
steer the course of the Shelby Sentinel  
through places dark with danger, but  
that he should watch with jealous solici-  
tude over the destinies of Goebel and the  
interests of his campaign; that he should  
be the mighty molder of public opinion  
in these regions, and especially that his  
known and his latent talents should find  
a field worthy his abilities in directing  
the recent mountainous laboring from  
which came forth, much to Charley's  
disgust, only a public library, used chiefly  
as a kindergarten.

We can not afford to have this man  
absent from our midst, but can reconcile  
ourselves to the inevitable next Novem-  
ber, since we understand he has under-  
taken to initiate the classic editor of the  
News into the mysteries of successful  
journalism and profitable politics after  
the transplanted flower has faded.

We met our friend, Hon. M. O'Sulli-  
van, in the Court-house. He looked like  
the last rose of summer or one who spent  
sleepless nights thinking what Goebel  
has in store for Charley Lewis. In a few  
days, intimate friends of the Shelby Re-  
presentative tell us, he will come out in a  
card thanking his constituents for con-  
tinual confidence, appreciating their  
wishes in calling upon him again to be  
the standard-bearer, but assuring them  
that reluctantly he is obliged to decline  
the honors they so courteously and kindly  
offered, as his business interests would  
suffer were he again to sacrifice time and  
talent to public office. It is, however,  
hoped that he may find a way to recon-  
sider.

Mr. Garret Lee spends much time in a  
shady nook of our public park, gazing  
intently on the variously colored flags  
which Engineer O'Leary and Councilman  
Dubourg have placed on the City Hall.  
Garret is very bright for one of his  
years, and without much mental  
exertion or bodily exhaustion he con-  
cluded that the flags and their colors had  
reference to the small-pox. Garret has  
succeeded in finding a preventive for the  
dreaded disease, and is soon to petition  
the Mayor and city officials to recom-  
mend its adoption in city and county  
cases to the complete exclusion of all  
others. Letters are daily pouring in, say-  
ing that Garret in their cases filled a  
long-felt want—ten cents a fill.

Councilman Dubourg would not a few  
days ago explain unto Garret the mean-  
ing of the diamond-shaped flag of blue  
nor of the square one of white. Dubourg  
is one of the most political politicians in  
politics, and not even Goebel, Redwine  
or Lewis could get him to tell a thing he  
knew nothing about more than hundreds  
of others in our city.

Dr. Preissler, who has been appointed  
to regulate the weather in this vicinity,  
says the flags simply mean to tell those  
men when it is raining. For two weeks

past, according to the flags, it has been  
raining night and day, and many an old  
weather prophet has serious doubts about  
the sanity of his neighbors who assure  
him that it is raining according to the  
flags set up by Dubourg and O'Leary. The  
uncertainty of the weather has caused a  
great consumption of Lee's small-pox  
eradicator, and Preissler's knowledge of  
the weather conditions has fallen greatly  
in the estimation of his friends.

Dennis Ryan, Roger Sheedy, Will Cot-  
ter, W. O'Donnell and others are very  
anxious to see their names in print. Have  
patience, for in the near future, with the  
assistance of Col. Casey, we will endeavor  
to give a sketch of all the great Irishmen  
of the county. Special mention will be  
given those who were in Ireland the night  
of the "big wind."

Mr. Joe McGinn, of Owensboro, spent  
a few days here this week, visiting rela-  
tives and friends.

John Cotter, we are glad to see, has  
entirely recovered from his recent illness.

John R. Doughan, of Louisville, was  
here last week on business.

Mrs. M. J. McCluskey visited friends  
here last week.

Mike Lee, of the Louisville & Nash-  
ville railroad, spent Sunday with his  
parents here.

The Fourth was very quietly celebrated,  
the only patriotism noticeable being the  
display of flags by the Colonel and  
O'Leary.

## PHIL DONAHUE DEAD.

**Sad Termination of the Life  
of a Promising Young  
Man.**

One of the saddest deaths that is paper  
has yet called upon to notice was that of  
Phil Donahue, which occurred Wednes-  
day morning at Lakeland Asylum, where  
he had been under treatment since last  
fall for an affection of the brain.

He was one of the best known young  
men in this city, and during his short  
career had been highly honored, having  
represented the Tenth ward in the Board  
of Councilmen, and subsequently holding  
the office of Deputy Sheriff, and until his  
misfortune was deputy under Jailer Pfanz.  
Although only thirty-five years of age,  
he had long been recognized as one of  
most active and honorable politicians in  
the city, and those whom he supported  
considered him a tower of strength. His  
great popularity is best evidenced by the  
fact that he was the only man who was  
ever able to encompass the defeat of the  
late Jack Mellet in the Tenth ward. Be-  
sides he was well and favorably known  
all over the city, and his public and pri-  
vate records were noted for integrity and  
ability.

During the past month he had been  
subject to frequent attacks of epileptic  
fits, and in the past week had suffered  
from no less than seven of them. Wednes-  
day morning he had a very severe at-  
tack, and although everything that could  
be done for him he passed away. His  
remains were immediately brought to  
his former home at Thirteenth and  
Jefferson streets, where they were viewed  
by a steady stream of sorrowing friends.

The deceased was a brother of Pat  
Donahue, the well-known contractor,  
and leaves a wife and two children, who  
have our sincere sympathy.

His funeral took place yesterday morn-  
ing from St. Patrick's church, and was  
largely attended, many city officials and  
others whom he had befriended being  
present to pay the last tribute to a tried  
and true friend.

## PRESIDENT MURPHY

**Installed Division Officers  
Wednesday—Annual  
Reports.**

Owing to the disagreeable weather  
there was only a fair attendance at the  
meeting of Division 3, A. O. H., Wednes-  
day evening, but what was lacking in  
numbers was made up in interest and en-  
thusiasm.

After the transaction of routine busi-  
ness the retiring President, Joseph P.  
Taylor, in a few well chosen and appro-  
priate remarks thanked the members and  
officers for their services during the year  
and called County President John Murphy  
to the chair for the purpose of in-  
stalling those recently elected for the en-  
suing year.

At the conclusion of the installation  
ceremonies President Murphy instructed  
the officers and members in their duties  
in a most impressive manner, after which  
he introduced Patrick T. Sullivan the new  
President of the division, whose re-  
marks and predictions for the future  
were received with enthusiasm. He  
pledged his best efforts and asked the as-  
sistance of the members in the effort to  
be made to place Division 3 ahead of the  
others.

The annual report of Secretary Nick  
Sheridan showed a decided increase in  
both finances and membership. An in-  
vitation was also received to attend the  
picnic of Division 4 at Lion Garden on  
July 24, which was accepted.

Before adjourning President Sullivan  
announced his committee appointments  
as follows:

Sick—Mike Hoban, James McCue and  
Thomas Higgins.

Literary—Joseph Cooney, D. J. Cole-  
man and Thomas Higgins.

Labor—Patrick J. Nelligan, William  
Patterson and Michael Sheehan.

Finance—Joe P. Taylor, James Cole-  
man and Patrick Holly.

They are all good men for the places.

## HIBERNIANS

**Celebrate the Fourth in Patri-  
otic Style at Lion  
Garden.**

**Old and Young Come Together  
and All Have a Glorious  
Day's Fun.**

**Music, Mirth and Dancing In-  
dulged in Until a Very  
Late Hour.**

**THE GARDEN THROGGED AT NIGHT.**

The Fourth of July this year was an  
ideal day, and was most fittingly cele-  
brated by the Ancient Order of Hiber-  
nians of Louisville at Lion Garden.

Early in the afternoon throngs of young  
and old began to arrive, and the stream  
kept up until the place was at one time  
taxed to its utmost capacity. Promptly  
at 4 o'clock the Hibernian Knights, un-  
der command of Capt. Joe Breen, formed  
in line for their annual Fourth of July  
exhibition drill. The Knights make as  
fine an appearance as any military body  
in the State, being nearly all stalwart  
fellows, and when they moved, their  
green and white plumes bowing to the  
breeze, they were heartily cheered.

Great interest was felt in this drill by  
their admirers, as the company will go to  
the Boston convention next year, and  
much is expected of them. Capt. Breen  
put them through a regular drill, follow-  
ed by a number of difficult evolutions,  
each of which was warmly applauded.

The drill put up was a surprise to their  
friends, and much of its success is due to  
the admirable work and energy of Lieut.  
Jerry Hallihan and Arthur Campbell.

In the park an excellent band, with  
Prof. Morbach, discoursed patriotic Irish  
and American airs, while in the dancing  
hall Ludwig's Union Band kept the  
young folks tripping the light fantastic  
to enchanting strains until a late hour.

Throughout the garden were scattered  
various games for the amusement of the  
young, and everything was done by the  
various committees that would contribute  
to its success. If there were any disap-  
pointment it could not be placed upon  
them, as they worked untiringly and  
maintained the reputation of their order  
in the celebration of our greatest anni-  
versary.

All of the divisions were represented,  
with the State and county officials pres-  
ent and a large delegation from Division  
1 and the Ladies' Auxiliary of Jefferson-  
ville. The entire affair passed off pleas-  
antly, and was one of the most enjoyable  
ever given.

## NOTES.

There was a great demand for this  
paper.

The concert music was of a very high  
order.

John Yenner made an ideal music di-  
rector.

Joe Taylor paid only double admission.  
Ask him about it.

The Ladies' Auxiliary was not as well  
represented as last year.

Never before was seen more pretty  
Irish lasses in a public garden.

The ladies from Jeffersonville proved  
quite expert in rolling ten pins.

John Nolan, of Division 2, was one of  
the workers as well as entertainers.

Deputy Bailiff Mike Tynan proved  
very efficient on the Floor Committee.

President Meahan, of Division 1, was  
everywhere and nothing escaped his eye.

The Knights presented a handsome ap-  
pearance in their showy dress uniforms.

If there are any Hibernians who were  
not there, they should not now be heard  
from.

Capt. James Hendricks was the mag-  
net that caused many a lass to turn her  
head.

Tim Lyons was on hand with the gold-  
headed cane presented him nine years  
ago by Division 1.

Tom Keenan and John Barrett enter-  
tained and treated handsomely large  
numbers of friends.

Alderman William Patterson was al-  
ways the center of a large crowd, which  
he kept in the best of humor.

James McCue and his assistants are the  
right men in the right place. Nothing  
got by them under twenty-five cents.

Treasurer Owen Keiran found it neces-  
sary to go home in a coupe, which speaks  
well for the financial end of the jubilee.

Edward Dalton, the newly appointed  
Gasoline Inspector, received the con-  
gratulations of everybody on his promo-  
tion.

Thomas Higgins, Tom Langan and  
John Curran were everywhere in the  
dancing hall and saw that all enjoyed  
themselves.

Many compliments were paid Chief  
Haager for the judgment displayed in  
the assignment of officers, nearly all of  
whom were members.

Presidents Hennessey and Clancy left  
nothing undone that would in any way  
contribute to the success of the jubilee or  
the pleasure of their friends.

Many were the praises bestowed upon  
the Kentucky Irish American, with assur-  
ances of continued support and large ad-  
ditions to the subscription list.

Little three-year-old May Ella Fallon,  
the pretty daughter of Pat Fallon, great-  
ly amused a large number by her dancing

when the band played Irish airs. Though  
she had never taken a lesson her move-  
ments and poses were exquisite and cap-  
tivating.

County President Murphy deserves the  
thanks of entire order. He did the work  
of at least three men, and was good-  
natured and pleasant through it all.

Mike Tynan could not understand the  
meaning of the German signs displayed  
in the garden. He did not rest until as-  
sured they were all right and was treated  
to "bratwurst" by the Kentucky Irish  
American reporter.

Tom Cody, the popular representative  
of Senn & Ackerman, had a narrow  
escape from a "flash" from the target  
he was shooting at. He had made sev-  
eral "bull's eyes," when he missed one  
and the shell rebounded, striking him  
near the eye. He was only slightly cut;  
had it hit the eye the matter would have  
been serious.

## SUMMER SCHOOL.

**Work and Play Interspersed  
at This Pretty City by  
the Lake.**

The members of the Catholic Summer  
School of America are already preparing  
for their summer encampment at Cliff  
Haven, on the west shore of Lake Cham-  
plain, three miles south of the historic  
old town of Plattsburg. They will come  
from all parts of the country, and the  
Rev. Father M. J. Lavelle, President of  
the school, will be on hand to welcome  
them when it opens its summer season  
tomorrow, says the New York Journal.

It is the eighth session, and the school,  
which is now a corporate body—as the  
Regents of this State granted an abso-  
lute charter—is classified in the system of  
public instruction devoted to university  
extension.

The Catholic Summer School was a re-  
sult of the Reading Circle movement.  
An organization was effected in  
1892, and the Rev. M. M. Sheedy, of  
Pittsburg, was elected President. In re-  
sponse to a call for the first session at  
New London, students and representa-  
tive men and women came from all parts  
of the United States eager to avail them-  
selves of the privileges.

The success of the enterprise assured,  
the question of a permanent home was  
next to be settled, and finally the site of  
150 acres on the shore of Lake Champlain  
was secured.

On the grounds are about twenty build-  
ings, including the Auditorium, which  
will seat 800 persons comfortably; the  
Champlain club-house, which with the  
new annex will seat 120 persons; the  
temporary chapel, where masses are cele-  
brated every morning, and a dozen and  
more of handsome cottages.

Philadelphia, New York, Boston,  
Brooklyn, Rochester, Albany and Ver-  
mont have each contributed to the cost  
of erecting these cottages, and the Rev.  
Father Healy, of this city; Prof. Dundon,  
of the Normal College, and Mrs. Curtis  
Lenihan, of New York, have secured the  
funds for the erection of the other cot-  
tages. Many tents will also spring up all  
over the grounds this summer.

The school is not an institution of  
learning in the ordinary sense of the  
word, where steady attendance during  
certain hours of the day is required. Rec-  
reation of the most enjoyable sort is  
fostered and special committees are  
formed of persons adapted for the enter-  
tainment decided upon.

The recreations include out-of-doors games, athletic  
sports, running, jumping and foot racing.  
Swimming, cycling, base-ball, bowling,  
lawn tennis, croquet, golf and field ex-  
ercises of all sorts are indulged at the  
summer school, while a course of lectures  
interspersed come in to relieve the mo-  
notony that often accompanies life at a  
summer resort.

The lectures during the seven weeks  
of the session will include five lectures  
on English literature by the Rev. Clarence  
E. Woodman, C. S. B., President of St.  
Nicholas College, Toronto; two lectures  
by M. Michael Monahan, of Albany; five  
lectures in sociology by the Rev. W. J.  
Kerby; evening lectures by John Francis  
Waters, five lectures on tendencies in bi-  
ology by Dr. James J. Walsh, five lec-  
tures on celebrated women of France by  
Alexander J. Dupont Coleman, five lec-  
tures on sensation and thought by the  
Rev. John T. Driscoll, five lectures on  
psychology and education by the Rev.  
James A. Doonan, and five lectures on  
will power in the domain of ethics by the  
Rev. Thos. Gasson.

But the lectures will not be allowed to  
take up all the evenings, for once a week  
there is to be a dramatic entertainment  
given by the members of the Champlain  
Club. The plays, which will be for the  
most part on the classic order, will take  
place in the auditorium. Such produc-  
tions as "Medea," "Mary Queen of  
Scots" and "The Almighty Dollar" will  
be presented. Besides the talent in the  
club, which is of no mean order, the  
school members will have the benefit of  
the talent of the dramatic company of St.  
James, N. Y.

To tell of all the delights in store for  
the patrons of the Catholic Summer  
School would fill a page. In addition to  
the first-class boating on the lake the  
pupils will have the fine steam yacht Iro-  
quois, a gift to the school from the late  
Joseph J. O'Donohue, at their disposal  
for daily excursions over this beautiful  
sheet of water. To live in this summer  
paradise costs each pupil \$12 a week.

## SQUIRE M'CANN BETTER.

Magistrate John M'Cann, recently de-  
clared the nominee for Judge of the Pol-  
ice Court, who has been confined to his  
home by sickness during the past two  
weeks, has resumed his duties.

## THE BEST YET.

**Irish-American Society Annual  
Reports and Election of  
Officers.**

**Thomas Keenan and Capt. Mike  
Lawler Elected For An-  
other Year.**

**All Bills Paid and the Organ-  
ization's Future Looks  
Very Bright.**

**NEXT MEETING WILL BE IMPORTANT**

The regular annual meeting and elec-  
tion of officers of the Irish-American  
Society occurred at Hibernian Hall  
Thursday evening. Owing to the sultry  
weather the attendance was not as large  
as had been anticipated, but this in no  
way interfered with the transaction of a  
large amount of business.

The reports of the officers were re-  
ceived and showed the organization to be  
in a better financial condition than ever  
before. All bills were paid and a snug  
sum still remains.

The committee having in charge the  
management of the recent moonlight ex-  
cursion, Messrs. D. J. Coleman, Mark  
Ryan, John Mulloy, Tim Naughton and  
Tom Garvey, were tendered a vote of  
thanks for the manner in which they  
performed their duties. The excursion  
was a most enjoyable one, and several  
young ladies were made the recipients of  
first-class bicycles.

The annual election of officers was en-  
tered into, but will not be completed  
until the next meeting, July 20. Those  
chosen were as follows:

President—Thomas Keenan.

First Vice President—Capt. Mike J.  
Lawler.

Financial Secretary—Mark Ryan.

Recording Secretary—William Lawler.

There is a desire to re-elect several  
who were not present to the offices not  
yet filled, and they will be called upon  
by a committee for the purpose of ascer-  
taining their wishes in the matter.

The new ritual and form of initiation  
will be presented for final adoption at  
the next meeting. This promises to be  
as well as interesting, and all the mem-  
bers are urged to be present to witness  
the same.

The society was also addressed by Mr.  
M. W. Murphy, whose remarks were  
warmly applauded.

The Secretary was directed to notify all  
members as to their standing, and the  
hall is expected to be crowded when the  
next meeting takes place.

## BRYAN'S PROTEST

**Against Expansion Received  
With Great Cheering in  
Georgia.**

The Hon. William J. Bryan addressed  
the Barnesville Chautauqua at Barnes-  
ville, Ga., Tuesday. The crowd which  
greeted him was enormous and his re-  
ception enthusiastic. In introducing Mr.  
Bryan, the Hon. Clark Howell, editor of  
the Atlanta Constitution and member  
the National Democratic Committee  
from Georgia, referred to the fact  
that Georgia's delegation through one of  
its members had presented Mr. Bryan's  
name for nomination at the Chicago  
convention. He referred to the last  
Presidential campaign and predicted the  
reaffirmation of the last Democratic plat-  
form by the next Democratic convention  
and treated Mr. Bryan's nomination as a  
foregone conclusion.

Mr. Bryan spoke of the celebration of  
the Fourth of July, which was more gen-  
eral in all parts of the country than ever  
before, and referred to the part the South  
had shared with the North in sending  
men to war against Spain. He claimed  
only one purpose, and that was to find  
out what was the best for this country.  
It was impossible, he said, to discuss  
public affairs as a nonpartisan. He was  
again willing to place the issues before  
the country on the plans laid down by  
Thomas Jefferson. In closing his speech  
the speaker took a decided stand against  
expansion, and his words were received  
with great cheering. Mr. Bryan said:

"Holding the Philippine Islands against  
the will of their inhabitants involves a  
new departure in government. I do not  
want as part of this nation people who  
can not read the Declaration of Inde-  
pendence. The doctrine of force lies  
behind, not in front of us. The expansion  
argument is the argument of George III.  
Shall we say on this day of celebration  
that we have lived one hundred years  
under a wrong principle? No. Some say  
take the Bible in one hand and the gun  
in the other. Thank God I am not in  
favor of this way of Christianizing. We  
shall not depart from a republican form  
of government. We are not ready to ac-  
cept the doctrine of conquest and force.  
It is not the desire of the Republicans to  
do good, but the desire to gain more  
money that lies behind their colonial  
policy."

## PLEASANT OCCASION.

Mr. and Mrs. James Miller were ten-  
dered a reception Monday evening upon

their return from their wedding trip by  
Miss Katie O'Hearn at her home in Jef-  
fersonville. The house and tables were  
decorated in smilax and presented a  
beautiful appearance. After vocal and  
instrumental selections an elegant supper  
was served, followed by dancing. Among  
those present were Mr. and Mrs. Dennis  
O'Hearn, Mr. and Mrs. John Ryan, Mr.  
and Mrs. Lee Miller, Mr. and Mrs.  
Charles Dean, Misses Maggie Ansbro,  
Mayme Cavanaugh, Sallie Miller, Julia  
Lynch, Grace Dean, Carrie Lynch, Katie  
and Mamie O'Hearn, Messrs. Frank  
Dean, Herman Sadler, John Cavanaugh,  
Frank and John Lynch, Will Ryan, Ed-  
ward Cowman and others. The occasion  
was one of the most enjoyable social  
functions of the season in the city over  
the river.

## HER WORK CUT OUT.

**Designer Fife Enthusiastic  
Over the Prospects of  
the Shamrock.**

Designer Fife has heard much of the  
speed and beautiful dimensions of the  
Columbia, and now deigns to say just a  
little about the prospects of the Sham-  
rock and to give out a few facts. He  
declares that he has the utmost confi-  
dence in his latest creation. He stated  
to the World's Rothesay correspondent  
Saturday that he believes the challeng-  
er's sail-carrying powers are indicated  
by the extraordinary size of her ocean  
spars. She will be ketch rigged, like the  
Valkyrie III., but on a much bigger  
scale. The mainmast will measure ninety  
feet, the topmast fifty feet, the mizzen  
seventy feet and the bowsprit stumpy.  
The latter will merely carry a bobstay to  
safeguard against wreckage and collision.

Some Fairlie workmen were shown a  
piece of the aluminum used in the Sham-  
rock and they were greatly astonished at  
its lightness, but were doubtful whether  
it would stand a gale of the western  
ocean.

A Southampton correspondent wires  
that although everything is being kept  
very secret as to the trial race of the  
Shamrock and Britannia, the Shamrock  
will probably be completed as far as pos-  
sible now by Wednesday, while the Brit-  
annia will not be much later, though she  
is being reworked. The point has now  
been set at rest as to whether there are  
to be any races. When the statement was  
first made an explanation was given to  
the press that no racing was intended,  
and that the Shamrock would merely test  
her speed with the Britannia. But since  
it has been officially stated there will be  
racing. The Prince of Wales will, if  
possible, be present on at least one occa-  
sion, but no date has yet been fixed.

Capt. O'Neill has been interviewed,  
and in reply to questions said:

"I have seen the Shamrock, and it is  
very difficult as yet to express anything  
like a reliable opinion, but we have been  
watching very carefully the Columbia's  
trials with the Defender. I know the  
Defender of old. She is a fast boat and  
one by no means easy to beat. There-  
fore it was surprising to see how easily  
the Columbia beat her. That is, of  
course, if the reports are accurate. If the  
Columbia can sail at the rate indicated,  
all I can say is that the Shamrock has all  
her work cut out. She is a beautiful  
craft."

## GAELIC LANGUAGE.

**Delegates Will Be Sent to the  
National Eisteddfod of  
Wales.**

An interesting meeting of the Council  
of the Society for the Preservation of the  
Irish Language took place recently in  
Dublin, Count Plunkett in the chair.

The council had under consideration  
the appointment of delegates to represent  
the society at the forthcoming National  
Eisteddfod of Wales, to be held at Cardiff  
in July. Their appointment was deferred  
to a subsequent meeting.

J. Comer, Secretary of the Glenna-  
maddy Teachers' Association, Ballinasloe,  
wrote that the Irish language is steadily  
gaining ground in its locality. This sat-  
isfactory result was chiefly due to the  
untiring zeal of their esteemed clergy,  
sermons, prayers, Irish catechism and  
Irish speeches at public meetings being  
the order of the day.

Last April at the polling booths teach-  
ers employed as presiding officers had to  
appoint interpreters to assist them in the  
discharge of their duties.

These meetings are constantly develop-  
ing new and interesting features in con-  
nection with the Irish language move-  
ment.

## DEATH OF MRS. MULDOON.

The announcement of the death of Mrs